

V. GROWTH INDUCING IMPACTS

The CEQA Guidelines require that an EIR discuss the ways in which a proposed project could foster economic or population growth, or the construction of additional housing, either directly or indirectly, in a surrounding area. Projects which could remove obstacles to population growth (such as a major public service expansion) must also be considered in this discussion.

The project, addition of an emergency evacuation helipad to a new hospital and medical center in an existing developed urban area, would not result in population growth nor set a new precedent which might allow or encourage other development to occur outside the existing urban envelope. It also would not induce growth through the extension of new utilities or infrastructure.

Conclusion: The project, addition of an emergency evacuation helipad at a new medical center, would not result in or induce new population or job growth.